CHAPTER NO. 362

HOUSE BILL NO. 409

By Representative Bunch

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 1418

By Senator Person

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 16, Chapter 15, relative to general sessions civil warrants.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 16-15-5012, is amended by designating the existing language as subsection (a) and adding the following language as a new subsection (b):

(b) The administrative office of the courts, in consultation with the general sessions judges conference, Tennessee bar association, court clerks' association, Tennessee trial lawyers' association and the sheriffs' association, shall by October 1, 2001, design and promulgate a uniform general sessions civil warrant. Upon such civil warrant being promulgated, it shall be used exclusively in all general sessions courts and other courts when exercising general sessions court jurisdiction; provided, in general sessions courts that use a civil warrant containing substantially the same information as that contained on the uniform civil warrant and where civil warrant information collected by the administrative office of the courts is collected and maintained electronically by the general sessions court clerk, a non-uniform civil warrant may be used.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001, the public welfare requiring

PASSED: May 29, 2001

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JOHN S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR

APPROVED this 7th day of June 2001